



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Gardener I

Recruitment Number: 04-273

Salary: \$2,417.97 - \$2,939.06/month

Filing Deadline: 5 PM, MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 2004

POSITION SUMMARY

The City Of Chula Vista is accepting applications for the position of Gardener I. This is the entry-level class in the Gardener series. This position performs a wide variety of routine manual work in the care and maintenance of park and recreational facilities. The work schedule for this position will be 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., five days a week. Employees in this classification will be required to work weekends and holidays. There are currently three (3) openings.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

(Functions may include, but are not limited to, the following): This position will mow, trim, edge, fertilize, aerify and water lawns, in medians, parks and other areas; weed, prune, mulch, fertilize, and prepare soil for planting; seed and re-sod lawn areas; plant trees, seedlings and shrubs; clean and maintain park grounds and other assigned areas, including athletic fields, tennis courts, paved areas, paths, walkways, playgrounds, and stairways; inspect assigned areas; correct or report safety hazards; clean, maintain and restock restrooms and other park buildings; perform painting, plumbing and carpentry work incidental to park maintenance activities; pick up trash and litter and perform other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education, Training and Experience: Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Some experience in gardening or landscape work.

Mandatory Requirement: A valid California Class C license at the time of application. Your driver's license must be kept valid during your employment with the City.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Knowledge of: some methods of maintaining a variety of lawns, ground cover, plants, shrubs, and hedges; some safe work methods and safety regulations; basic use and minor maintenance of commonly used hand and power tools and equipment related to assignment; English usage. Ability to: Learn and follow proper work methods and landscape maintenance techniques; learn practices and procedures of traffic control and flagging; learn to use, maintain, and operate landscaping tools and equipment; understand and carry out oral and written instructions; communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

On a continuous basis walk, stand, bend, crouch or stoop, sit in jolting cab for varying periods of time; use hands and fingers to grasp tools; make repetitive hand and body motions; twist and reach below and above shoulder, climb ladders and perform physical activities on a continual basis; communicate in person, use a two-way radio, and use the telephone; lift or carry 50 pounds or less. See in the normal vision range with or without correction; hear in the normal range with or without correction. Work is performed outdoors with exposure to a variety of weather conditions, traffic, noise, physical barriers, and around heavy equipment; work with exposure to fumes and odors of fertilizers, herbicides, insecticides, and pesticides. Must be willing to work weekend, holidays and split shifts. Must have the ability to drive a pick-up truck and a tractor-mower.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Candidates whose applications indicate education and experience most directly related to the position will be invited to participate in the selection process. All notifications will be sent via standard US mail.

The City contributes 8% to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) for the employee. Positions that are represented by the Chula Vista Employees Association will have a 1.92% salary deduction that coincides with the Work Furlough Program. Employees will accrue up to 40 furlough hours between their hire date and June 30, 2005.

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